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# Resurrexit Resurgam



**OUT** of the clod,  
Where earthy fetters, reeking,  
Its rootlets claim;  
Upward to God,  
Effulgent radiance seeking,  
The lily came.

**DEEP** in the tomb,  
Rock-ribbed and sealed in blindness,  
My neighbor lies;  
Out of the gloom  
Calls Life's eternal kindness,  
All souls, arise!

**SAVIOR** of men!  
Thy risen Pow'r, controlling,  
We would obey;  
Waking,—and then,  
From graves unnumbered rolling  
The stone away.

ANNA J. COOPER